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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed herewith is a response to the Decision on Papers Filed under 37 CFR 1.42. Also enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time along with a \$200.00 check to cover the two (2) month extension fee.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Order Account No. 19-0079 for any further fee that is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE

In response to the decision on papers filed under 37 CFR 1.42, the Applicants' believe that the Declaration and Power of Attorney, a copy of which is enclosed, filed with the completion of filing requirements on August 12, 2002, complied with 37 CFR 1.42.

The Declaration and Power of Attorney was sent to our Italian associate who indicated that all of the inventors were of Italian decent. Maria Strumillo-Djaczenko signed the document on behalf of herself and the document included her residence along with her post office address, which is the same as her residence. The deceased inventor, Wiktor Djaczenko, was Mrs. Djaczenko's husband, and Mrs. Strumillo-Djaczenko signed on his behalf as his heiress and legal representative. Mrs. Strumillo-Djaczenko and her deceased husband had the same residence along with the same post office address, as indicated on the Declaration and Power of Attorney.

Thus, the Applicants believe that the Declaration and Power of Attorney is in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.42 and respectfully request that the application move forward to examination.

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